analysis of diverse samples of land, air and water from the station with the aim to generate baseline data required for devising an environmental monitoring protocol. (vii) Communication and Engineering:

- — Establishment of E-mail facility, uplinking Maitri though the INTERNET.
- — Technology transfer on a commercial basis as a spin off of SODAR instrument developed in Antarctica.
- — Indigenisation of cold temperature technology in building construction and life support systems.
- — Indigenisation of certain kit clothing items for use in cold conditions,
- — Availability of trained manpower to work in extreme cold, harsh and isolated conditions.

(c) and (d) The Fifteenth Indian Antarctic Expedition is expected to be launched by and November, 1995.

Availability of weapons manufactured by ordnance Factories to MPs

462. SHRI RAMA RATAN RAM:
DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what arc the names of the weapons which arc available for purchase by Members of Parliament, manufactured by our Ordnance Factories and what arc the names of those factories;

(b) what arc the prices of each category and make of the weapons;

(c) how many Members of Parliament have made use of this facility; and

(d) what other category of civilian persons arc entitled to purchase of these weapons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b)

Weapon	Manufacturing factory	Price (with taxes)
0.32 revolver	Small Arms factory. Kanpur. Field Gun Factory. Kanpur.	Rs. 41. 400/-
0.315 rifle	Rifle Factory. Ishapore.	Rs. 29.280/- (in West Bengal*)
12 bore gun	Rifle Factorv. Ishapore. Gun & Shell Factory. Cossipore.	Rs. 22. 692/- (in West Bengal*)

'Taxes vary from state to State.

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	90-91	91-92	92-93	93-94	94-95	95-96 (till July)
0.32" revolver	13	9	4	1	4	5
0.315 rifle	2	4	10	11	10	—
12 bore DBBL gun	1	—	—	—	—	—

(d) Those holding valid licence for possession of firearms arc entitled to purchase these weapons. 0.315 rifle and 12 bore DBBL gun arc sold in' the market through authorised arms dealers. 0.32" revolver arc sold only from the factories and arc allotted to certain categories of persons (including membrs of Parliament and state ligislatures) in need of security.

Investment in Small and Medium Industries in U.P.

463. SHRI SANGH PRIYA GAUTAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total investment made by the Union Government in Uttar Pradesh in the small and medium scale industrial units during the last three years, year-wise and district-wise;